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Dear Ms. Jones:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration to grant a general variance from the labeling regulation for natural rubber latex-containing medical devices, was received by this office on 06/03/99. It was assigned docket number 99P-1720/CP 1 and it was filed on 06/03/99. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

Helen K. Harris
Dockets Management Branch

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